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SUBJECT: BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION ON NIELS ERSBOLL

REF: SENS/LOGAN TELECON OF DECEMBER 14, 1976

1. NIELS ERSBOLL, 50, HAS BEEN DANISH PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE TO THE EC SINCE 1973. A PROFESSIONAL FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICER, ERSBOLL WAS PREVIOUSLY THE DANISH AMBASSADOR TO ANTO FROM 1958-60. FROM 1960-63 HE HEADED THE DANISH DELEGATION TO EFTA AND GATT IN GENEVA BEFORE SERVING IN VARIOUS POSTS IN THE FOREIGN MINISTRY.
2. ERSBOLL APPEARS TO BE ONE OF THE MORE INTELIGENT AND INFLUENTIAL PERM REPS. IN ALL OUR DISCUSSIONS HE HAS SEEMED TO KNOW THE SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES WELL AND TO HAVE AN ACCURATE ASSESSMENT OF WHAT THE POSSIBILITIES ARE FOR DEALING WITH EACH ISSUE.
3. SINCE HE HAS NEVER HAD A TURN AT CHAIRING COREPER DURING HIS STAY HERE, IT IS DIFFICULT FOR US TO ASSESS HIS CAPACITY FOR ORGANIZATION AND LEADERSHIP OF A MULTI-NATIONAL INSTITUTION. HOWEVER, HIS PERSONAL QUALITIES ARE SUCH AS TO GIVE US REASONABLE CONFIDENCE THAT HE WOULD DO A CREDIBLE JOB.
4. ERSBOLL IS MARRIED AND SPEAKS ENGLISH. HINTON

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